

The failure of business to improve and the apparent inability of industry to provide employment presents an economic problem to the nation. Recognizing the danger of a continuous decline, President Roosevelt last week attempted to outline steps which the Government might have to help the present situation.

Already Congress had authorized the RFC to use \$1,500,000,000 in funds already appropriated in making loans to industry and indefinitely extending the period within which these advancements can be made. Under immediate consideration was the appropriation for work relief. Congressional and WPA authorities estimated the outlay for the next fiscal year will be around \$2,000,000,000. Under discussion and waiting the development of national sentiment was the proposal to use \$1,500,000,000 in a new spending program designed to transfer public funds into the arteries of trade and industry. Exactly how this "pump-priming" fund would be used was uncertain.

**Oppose Pump Priming**

It seems reasonably certain that any effort at "pump priming" will meet with serious opposition. The attack in Congress will be based on the opinion that huge expenditures at this time will injure business and destroy confidence and that further increases of the Government debt might lead to inflation if not repudiation. These arguments will be emphasized by business interests with a notable exception in favor of the use of Government funds to aid ailing industries, such as the railroads.

Of course, there are two sides to the argument about Government spending. The spenders hold that the Government must pour out its money to "fill the void" left by private capital. This, they say, will provide purchasing power and permit consumers to buy necessary products. As products are consumed, the need will arise for industry to make new products. This cycle, it is asserted, will lead to recovery. Opponents insist that the importance of a Government spending program is over-estimated, that even four billion dollars will add less than six per cent to the income of the American people, and add that additional spending, involving additional national debt, will create uneasiness in the business community and frighten away many times this amount in private capital.

**Different From 1933**

Meanwhile, it is important to realize that the country is not in the position it was in 1932 and early 1933. There exists a confidence in the safety of bank accounts, farmers are assured of a reasonable purchasing power. WPA employment has removed fear from the hearts of millions and there is no absence whatever of abundant capital resources. There is, however, one must admit, a definite antagonism between Government and big business.

The hostility between Government and business is extremely interesting. It has been emphasized by opposition toward practically every reform advanced by the Administration. It has been accentuated by increased taxation and efforts on the part of the Government to use the tax weapon to force business and industry to accept its program of reform. Business leaders, rebelling against this Government regulation, vigorously denounce Government interference with business and assert that if let alone, private industry and capital will provide the means of successfully combating the business recession.

**Profits In 1937**

There are some strange angles to the picture. Earnings of many large corporations in 1937 set new records. In view of the fact that these profits were made under regulations, restrictions and taxes, which, if anything have been lightened in 1938, the profits made in 1937 tend to disprove the allegation that the Government has wrecked business. On the other hand, some officials, notably Harry L. Hopkins, asserts that monopoly and controlled prices have enabled business to take the cream of the Government's efforts and thereby prevent the full success of the Government's program. Business, however, in the face of declining activity, continues a clamor for relief from taxation and reform and the plaintive plea is heard from various spokesmen that the President do something to remove fear by issuing a reassuring statement.

Altogether the economic picture (Turn to page five, please)

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## Finals will get under way at Glade Valley

**—high school on Saturday night, April 23, at eight o'clock, with a music recital. This program will usher in the twenty-eighth annual commencement at the Glade Valley school.**

Rev. W. C. Cooper, pastor of the Mocksville Presbyterian church, is to preach the commencement sermon on Sunday morning, April 24, at eleven o'clock.

On Sunday night, April 24, Rev. Marion Murray, of Banner Elk, will deliver a sermon to members of the Young People's league.

Graduating exercises are scheduled for Monday morning, April 25, at ten o'clock. At this time, Rev. Joe H. Carter, Anderson, S. C., will deliver the literary address to the graduates. The Rev. Mr. Carter is a former pastor of the Elkin Presbyterian church, and is regarded as a noted speaker.

The Senior class play, "The Time of His Life," is to be presented on Monday night, April 25, at eight o'clock. This is a comedy drama in three acts.

On Monday following the graduating exercises, a meeting of the Glade Valley High School Alumni association is to be held. All graduates of the school are urged to attend this meeting.

## Governor Hoey has returned to Raleigh

**—after a week's speaking tour of the state. Upon his arrival in the capital city Monday night, the chief executive said he had found business conditions "showing a definite improvement."**

Textile mill operators, he said, are receiving some orders and many requests for prices and samples and, "while I don't mean to say new orders are pouring in, there are plenty of 'nibbles' and 'nibbles' usually indicate that new orders will be forthcoming."

The governor said business men he had met during his tour were pleased with President Roosevelt's "more favorable attitude toward business."

"The upward trend of the stock market and the president's statement that business is entitled to a fair profit have helped the psychology a great deal," the governor said. "The general attitude seems to be that things will pick up, and that attitude itself should help us out of the recession."

The governor left Raleigh Tuesday, April 12, and made nine speeches, mostly in the western part of the state. He returned to his duties on Capitol Hill Tuesday.

## A bus route from Wilmington to Boone was authorized

**—Friday by the utilities commission in Raleigh, by granting the Atlantic Greyhound corporation a franchise to operate between Raleigh and Lexington. The action provides for a through route between Wilmington and Boone.**

The commission also granted a franchise to W. L. Marshall, Jr., of Wadesboro, operating as the Piedmont Coach company, to run buses between Wadesboro and Winston-Salem, via Thomasville.

Both routes will be established within 30 days of the actual signing of the franchise. Stanley Winborne, utilities commissioner, said. The franchise probably will be signed within a few days.

The Raleigh-Lexington order pointed out that Greyhound "operates an extensive system of buses" in both Eastern and Western North Carolina, but has no connecting link between the systems.

The franchise will furnish the connecting link and allow Greyhound to operate a through service "from the mountains to the sea," via Boone, Winston-Salem, Lexington, Asheboro, Siler City, Pittsboro, Raleigh, Smithfield, Goldsboro and Wilmington, the order said.

## Jacqueline Cochrane Wins Air Trophy



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . Miss Jacqueline Cochrane receives the coveted Harmon Trophy and the award of America's outstanding aviatrix during 1937 from the hands of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt at the White House. The Trophy is presented annually by the Ligue Internationale des Aviateurs to perpetuate the memory of the famous World War Lafayette Escadrille Corps. In background (l. to r.) Major Alexander P. de Seversky and Mrs. Helen MacCloskey Rough.

## Miss Clyde Fields has been head of Davie Ave. school

**—in Statesville since 1918, and before 1918 had been a teacher in Mulberry Street school, in Statesville. Miss**

Fields is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Fields, Sparta, and is very popular in Statesville as a teacher.

An article concerning Miss Fields and her work in Statesville was published in The Statesville Daily of Wednesday, April 13, together with her picture.

The article is reprinted below as follows:

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Fields, born and reared in a home where many a generation of her family has lived, Miss Fields by birth and blood may belong to Sparta but having lived here in Statesville these 20 years and more by all the ties of our love and honor for her, the pride we have in her, she belongs to us.

She was just a slim slip of a graduate when she came here first in the fall of 1915 to teach the second grade at Mulberry Street school. For two years she taught there and in that time securely placed herself in the esteem of school patrons and officials.

The "new red-headed teacher over at Mulberry," had ability, personality and a sincere interest in her work that marked her from the very first, gave her a recognized place in the school and the community and made her go a distinct loss when she resigned in 1917 to take a position in the Virginia-Carolina High school at Grassy Creek. After one year there she came back. Came to a warm welcome, came into a circle of friends that has widened through the years to include all the citizens of the town who have had contacts with her through the school or have known her in outside circles.

The Davie Avenue school was still young when Miss Fields returned to Statesville. First opened in the fall of 1915, Miss Jessie Massey had served as principal two terms and Miss Christine Rutledge for the third term. Miss Rutledge resigned to become Mrs. R. M. Rickert in 1918 and Miss Fields was called to take her place as principal. And so she came to stay with us, as the story books might put it.

The kind of teacher and principal that the Lord himself had a hand in making, her ability goes deeper, is more innate than any methods learned in university and college, her success with little children is a thing of the heart as well as the head, evidencing a soul within her as well as a brain.

Miss Fields' own first years of schooling were under a governess at her home. That was from the first to the eighth grade. For the eighth and ninth grades she attended Bridle Creek High school in Bridle Creek, Va., then for the 10th and 11th grades went to the Dublin Institute in Dublin, Va. At N. C. C. W., known as the teachers college of the South, Miss Fields received her (turn to page eight, please)

## A new two-color air mail stamp will be issued

**—by the United States Post Office department as a special recognition of National Air Mail Week, May 15-21, which is expected to be**

the greatest effort in the history of this service to increase its effectiveness and popular support.

Recent announcement at National Air Mail Week general headquarters said this stamp will be symbolic of the Air Mail and should be highly desirable for the many thousands of collectors who will send and receive letters on the special flights that week. Postmaster General Farley said that this stamp will be of six-cent denomination, the same size as the commemorative issues.

The border, of distinctive Air Mail design will be printed in blue and the central design will be in red. The design will depict an eagle with outstretched wings bearing in its talons a shield, olive wreath and bundle of arrows. Numerous ornamental details have been included in the over-all design.

This stamp first will be placed on sale May 14, in Dayton, Ohio, which is the home of the Wright Brothers who built the first successful airplane, and at St. Petersburg, Florida, where the first passenger flight was made. On the following days of Air Mail Week, this stamp will be on sale at many thousands of Post Offices throughout the United States.

## The Honor Roll for the 7th month at Laurel Springs

**—school is as follows, according to a recent announcement:**

First Grade—Joan Baird, Doris Upchurch, Rosalie Blevins, Reba Upchurch, Maud Taylor, Georgia Taylor, George E. Shepherd, Gordon Miller, Wendell Moxley, Clifford Church, Howard Reed, John Woodruff and Robert Glen Long.

Second Grade—Louise Upchurch, Roy Miller and Herman Pruitt.

Third Grade—Mary Ruth Miller, Annie Blanche Pugh, Jimmie Wagoner, Dan Taylor, Thomas Shepherd and Tommy Sue Moxley.

Fourth Grade—Eleanor Upchurch, Cleo Bryant, Ray Hamm, Beauford Wyatt and Kay Miller.

Fifth Grade—Emma Caudill, Peggy Long, Pearl Upchurch, Hazel Caudill, Ralph Brown and Edward Taylor.

Sixth Grade—Wilma Long, Arlene Miller, Iva Dale Pendry, Betty Anne Miller, Dorothy Pugh, Helen Wyatt and Mattielee Upchurch.

Seventh Grade—Ruth Caudill, Ruth Hendrix, Lucille Miller, Vivian Pruitt and Velma Tucker.

**THE LAUREL SPRINGS SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM**  
**—won over the Whitehead school team in a very interesting game played on the Whitehead diamond on Friday afternoon, April 15. The Laurel Springs students who did not attend the game enjoyed an Easter egg hunt,**

## A program will be given Sat. night, April 30

**—by the Sparta high school faculty, and students, in the high school auditorium, consisting of a minstrel, cake walk and "beauty contest."**

The minstrel will consist of special musical numbers, solos, musical readings, tap dances and string music.

The cake walk, under the direction of F. H. Jackson, Agriculture teacher in Sparta high school, is expected to be a very interesting and entertaining feature of the program.

The "beauty contest," with business and professional men of the community entering as contestants, will be different from any previous feature presented on the local stage, it is said. The men, of course, it is pointed out, will be dressed in the latest ladies' Paris fashions. The following men are expected to enter: T. R. Burgess, Dr. C. A. Thompson, Bill Chester, Dr. Leff Choate, Ed Dobyms, Amos Wagoner, Lonnie Mac Reeves, Emerson Black, Ralph Cheek, Bryan Taylor, C. R. Roe, F. H. Jackson, Claude Miles, George Reeves, Dwight Greene, Bayne Doughton, Hugh Choate, Purvis Lee, Alton Thompson, Duke Bledsoe, Carl Irwin, Isom Wagoner, Vance Choate and Albert Richardson.

A prize will be awarded the loveliest lady.

## Miss Mildred Taylor is one of the 127 college girls

**—who will model costumes of their own creation in the eleventh annual Style show to be held at North Carolina State college, Raleigh, today (Thursday).**

Miss Taylor, of Sparta, is a student at Appalachian State Teachers college, Boone.

Miss Taylor selected material for her costume from cotton and rayon fabrics designed and woven by students in the Textile school, which sponsors the annual event. The garment was made as part of her classwork in home economics.

A total of 147 young women from eleven colleges in North Carolina will participate in the Style show, to which the public is invited. The fashion parade is scheduled to begin at 2 p. m., in Pullen hall. Afterward, the Textile building will be open to visitors for inspection of the processes of converting raw cotton into finished fabrics and hosiery.

Many visitors are attracted annually to the Style show, which was started by State college in 1928 to popularize cotton and rayon fabrics. A grand prize will be awarded to the girl with the most outstanding costume.

## Twenty-one new books are proving extremely popular

**—with the patrons of the Sparta Public library. These books were bought recently, and the list includes books by many well-known authors.**

"Storm Signals," a story of Cape Cod, by Joseph C. Lincoln, concerns the fortunes of Captain Ben Snow, who returned to his home port, crippled and under a cloud of suspected cowardice, following a shipwreck off Hatteras. The novel follows the raising of this cloud, and this involves Ben's romance with the charming sister of the man in whose death he is supposed to be involved.

"Let Us Be Faithful," by Al-lene Corliss, is a smart, sophisticated, yet realistic, metropolitan romance of the Katherine-Brush-Faith Baldwin variety. "Synthetic Gentleman," by Channing Pollock, is a story moving at a high tempo through adventure, mystery, comedy, and romance. "The House of Adventure," by Warwick Depping, takes its name from a little inn in a French town that had been nearly destroyed by German shells. An English soldier, technically a deserter, begins to repair the inn, and as the people return to their homes, he becomes a leader in the reconstruction of the village.

Other popular authors in this list of books include Faith Baldwin, Temple Bailey, Zane Grey, Lida Larimore and Charles Alden Seltzer.

## Charles Shepherd was shot to death late last Thurs. by Glenn Maxwell (colored)

**as he was planting potatoes in the garden at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sallie Shepherd, near Scottville. Maxwell is about 40 years of age.**

Shepherd, who operated a service station, is understood to have been a deputy sheriff in Alleghany county, resigning about three weeks previous to the tragedy.

Maxwell was arrested Saturday morning between Galax and Baywood by Deputy Sheriff Earl Lawson, Chief of Police Jack Higgins and A. S. Lawson, ex-sheriff of Grayson county, all of Galax, after an extensive search had been made in All-ghany county and part of Grayson county following the tragedy. Sheriff Walter M. Irwin, of Alleghany county, said here Friday that he had a tip that Maxwell would surrender to authorities in an adjoining state if he had the assurance that he would be kept in an unannounced jail. Sheriff Irwin said, however, at that time that he would not bargain with the accused slayer.

Early Friday, Tom Maxwell, 20, son of Glenn, who is said to have had a quarrel with Shepherd, was arrested by Sheriff Irwin and lodged in jail in Sparta. Sheriff Irwin said young Maxwell was being held on charges of accessory before the fact of murder. Sheriff Irwin directed 75 men, including his deputies and Alleghany citizens, Friday night in the widespread search for Maxwell.

According to information obtained here, young Maxwell, after the quarrel with Shepherd at the latter's service station, went to his father (Glenn Maxwell) where he was working in a field and told him that Shepherd had struck him with an axe, and showed his father injuries on his body. Enraged by his son's story and the sight of the wounds, it is said he went to the place where Shepherd was working and committed the murder, shooting Shepherd three times. The first shot is said to have struck Shepherd in the hand and shot the handle of a hoe he held in his hand in two.

It is reported that the wounds shown the elder Maxwell by his son were received in a fall, instead of at the hands of Shepherd.

Maxwell lived on the farm of J. F. Cox.

The Negro was said Saturday to be confined in a Virginia jail, although the location of the jail referred to is not definitely known. It was rumored that he was taken to Roanoke, Va., but jail authorities there said he had not been taken there at a late hour Saturday night.

However, Sheriff Irwin said Sunday night in Sparta that the prisoner had been returned to an unnamed North Carolina jail, and would be kept there until Monday, May 2, when the Negro will face a charge of first-degree murder in Alleghany Superior court. Sheriff Irwin said Maxwell had waived a preliminary hearing.

Funeral services for the slain man were conducted Saturday morning at eleven o'clock, at Cranberry church, by Elders C. B. Kilby and C. R. Dancy, in the presence of a large number of people.

Active pallbearers were: Bert Thompson, Robert M. Gambill, John Maines, Robert Lee Nichols, Dan Jones and Carl Jones.

Honorary pallbearers were Sheriff Walter M. Irwin, T. R. Burgess, C. R. Roe, Lester Irwin, Norman Jones, Rufus Colvard, R. E. Black and Clark Sheets.

Flower bearers were members of the Junior class of Sparta high school, classmates of the eldest daughter of the deceased, Miss Madeleine Shepherd.

Interment was in Cranberry cemetery.

**Burley tobacco growers voted overwhelmingly**  
**—at the polls on Saturday, April 9, in Alleghany county, in the crop bill referendum, for the marketing quotas. Of the 81 who took part in the Alleghany referendum, 72 were in favor of production control.**

The two voting places and the members of the community referendum committees were as follows: Turkey Knob—E. C. Wyatt, W. C. Brown and S. C. Halsey; Sparta—C. G. Collins, Van Miller and Jess Moxley.

## Easter Bride



**—Photo Courtesy Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel**

Mrs. G. Crawford Lamb, Jr., (above), who was, before her marriage on Saturday, April 16, in Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, Miss Jean Carson, daughter of Mrs. A. S. Carson, of Sparta and Raleigh, and the late Mr. Carson. Rev. Wilson O. Weldon performed the wedding ceremony.

## The first thirty minutes of the Red Cross meet

**—to be held in San Francisco, Calif., opening on Monday, May 2, will be broadcast on a coast-to-**

coast hook-up on the blue network of the National Broadcasting company. It will also be broadcast by the Mutual Broadcasting company on its network. The time will be from 1:30 to 2:00 p. m., eastern standard time, which is the same as 2:30 to 3:00 p. m., eastern daylight saving time.

Another Red Cross program that is said to be of unusual interest is to be broadcast on Wednesday, May 4, from 6:00 to 6:30 p. m. eastern standard time. This program is to be a dramatization of the history of the Junior Red Cross in this country and throughout the world, and will include good will messages from the Juniors, meeting in annual convention in San Francisco, to students, teachers and parents throughout the world.

The program, it is said, will be the most widely broadcast program in the history of radio. It is to be broadcast by short wave into South America and Europe; in Canada by the Canadian Broadcasting system; in Great Britain by the British Broadcasting company; in Argentina by the El Mundo network, and probably in France by one of the French broadcasting companies. It is expected that the program will be one of great international significance.

## SPARTA H. S. PLAYED GLADE VALLEY H. S.

**—in a game of baseball at Glade Valley on Monday afternoon, April 11. The game, which went seven innings, ended in victory for the Glade Valley team by the score of 15-4.**

Glade Valley and Piney Creek high school played a game on Tuesday, April 12, on the Glade Valley diamond, the final score being 7-5 in favor of Glade Valley. This was the third game of a series, the first two having been won by the Piney Creek boys.

## THE WOMAN'S CLUB WILL MEET TOMORROW (FRIDAY)

**—afternoon, at three o'clock, in the office of The Alleghany Times.**

All members of the club are expected to be present.